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In re the Application of: **Makoto HASEYAMA, et al.**

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Serial No.: **10/629,800**

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For: **CONTRACTOR, A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE
CONTRACTOR AND A DEVICE AND METHOD OF TESTING
ELECTRONIC COMPONENT USING THE CONTRACTOR**

Attorney Docket No.: **000339A**

Customer Number: **38834**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated December 10, 2004.

In the Action, restriction is required among the following Groups:

- (I) Claims 1-11 and 14-17, drawn to a contactor,
- (II) Claims 12-13, drawn to a method of making, or
- (III) Claims 18-20, drawn to a method of testing an integrated circuit.

Claims 1-11 and 14-20 has been cancelled and claims 12 and 13 (classified as Group II in the restriction requirement) are the only pending claims (please see page 2 of the "Utility Patent Application Transmittal" submitted July 30, 2003.)

Therefore, Applicants naturally elect Group II without traverse.

It is understood that Applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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